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SUBJECT: RESPONSE TO FOURTH OF JULY MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT
FROM VOLTAN PRESIDENT LAMIZANA .

1. FOLLOWING RESPONSE FROM PRESIDENT FORD SHOULD 3E
DELIVERED TO THE PRESIDENT: QUOTE. DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:
ON BEHALF OF THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, MRS. FORD AND I THANK
YOU FOR YOUR MOST WELCOME MESSAGE OF GOOD WISHES ON THE
COMMEMORATION OF THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR NATION'S
INDEPENDENCE.

AS WE ENTER OUR THIRD CENTURY, THE UNITED STATES REDEDI-
CATES ITSELF IN WORD AND DEED TO THE PRINCIPLES OF
LIBERTY, EQUALITY AND INDIVIDUAL DIGNITY. WE DO SO WITH
THE ANTICIPATION AND CONFIDENCE THAT RELATIONS BETWEEN OUR
COUNTRIES WILL CONTINUE TO FLOURISH. SINCERELY, GERALD R.
FORD. UNQUOTE.

2. NO RELEASE INTENDED, BUT NO OBJECTION IF RECIPIENT
WISHES TO DO SO.

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3. FYI. FOLLOWING MESSAGE RECEIVED FROM PRESIDENT LAMIZANA. QUOTE: ON THE HAPPY OCCASION OF THE CELEBRATION OF THE BICENTENNIAL OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, I TAKE SPECIAL PLEASURE IN CONVEYING TO YOU ON BEHALF OF THE PEOPLE OF UPPER VOLTA AND THEIR GOVERNMENT, AND ON MY OWN BEHALF, MY VERY SINCERE AND WARM CONGRATULATIONS. HISTORICALLY THE DEVELOPMENT OF YOUR COUNTRY HAS REFLECTED YOUR PEOPLE'S DEEP ATTACHMENT TO THE NOBLE IDEAS OF FREEDOM AND PEACE.

WE AVAIL OURSELVES OF THIS OCCASION TO REAFFIRM OUR TOTAL WILLINGNESS TO WORK FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF BONDS OF COOPERATION AND SOLIDARITY BETWEEN NATIONS. ACCEPT, EXCELLENCY, OUR SINCERE GOOD WISHES FOR YOUR PERSONAL HAPPINESS AND FOR THE EVER-GROWING PROSPERITY OF THE GREAT AMERICAN PEOPLE. VERY HIGH CONSIDERATION. LT. GENERAL ELHADJ ABOUBAKAR SANGOULE LAMIZANA, PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF UPPER VOLTA. UNQUOTE.

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